



Pregnancy Health Home Tribal Consultation Meeting

July 25, 2023





Pregnancy Health Home Vision

Vision is to

1. Increase timeliness and utilization of prenatal, postpartum, and well-child visits.
2. Connect pregnant and postpartum women with supports.
3. Improve health outcomes for mom and baby.

Pregnancy Health Home Program Development

❖ **Stakeholder Group**

- Input from a variety of stakeholders including different types of providers, health systems, tribes, tribal providers, and state agencies that work with pregnant women.
- IHS/Tribal 638 Stakeholder representatives
 - Allison Joachim
 - Dayle Knutson
 - Suzanne England

❖ **Recipient Surveys and Focus Group**

- Contract with USD to complete a survey and 4 focus group

Provider Qualifications

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- Maintain credentials with a birthing hospital if the provider intends to perform the birth or maintain a relationship and communication with another provider or facility who can perform the birth including a process for timely transition of care.
- The provider must be enrolled in South Dakota Medicaid and have a signed agreement to participate as a pregnancy health home.



Stakeholder Discussion Regarding Proposed Provider Qualification

Discussion about using Physician Assistants and Nurse Practitioners:

- Should Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants have two years experience in shared OB care with a delivering provider or specialty training in prenatal care to qualify as a Health Home Provider?
- **Feedback**
 - Dayle Knutson indicated this may be an issue with IHS/Tribal 638 facilities due to provider shortage.
 - Is the above criteria too restrictive?
 - How is prenatal care including deliveries provided currently?

Feedback

- Feel free to submit feedback or questions to the Pregnancy Health Home Manager, Valerie Kelly – valerie.Kelly@state.sd.us, or



Next Steps

- An in-person Stakeholder meeting is scheduled for August 8th. More information will be forthcoming.
 - This is a session where we will deep dive into the proposed requirements and expectations for the Program.
- State Plan Amendment
- Provider Recruitment
- Program Application
- Provider Training
- Program Implementation Targeted in 2024.



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